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MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT AND AGENDA

Announcement Date: February 19, 2015

FULL BOARD:

EXECUTIVE SESSION

March 4, 2015

Time: 8:00 a.m.

Location: **Resources Auditorium
1416 Ninth Street
Sacramento, California**

REGULAR SESSION

March 4, 2015

Time: At conclusion of Executive Session

Approximately 9:00 a.m.

Location: **Resources Auditorium
1416 Ninth Street
Sacramento, California**

COMMITTEES:

FOREST PRACTICE COMMITTEE

March 3, 2015

Time: 8:30 a.m. - noon

Location: **Resources Auditorium
1416 Ninth Street
Sacramento, California**

RESOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

March 3, 2015

Time: 9:00 a.m. – noon

Location: **Resources Bldg. Rm. 1506-12
1416 Ninth Street
Sacramento, California**

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

March 3, 2015

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Location: **Resources Auditorium
1416 Ninth Street
Sacramento, California**

Contact information: Those requiring further information regarding this meeting notice may contact George D. Gentry, Executive Officer, State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, P.O. Box 944246, Sacramento, CA, 94244-2460, (916) 653-8007. This meeting notice is also available in electronic format at: http://www.bof.fire.ca.gov/board_business/meeting_agendas/. Other meeting materials and sign up for WebEx are available at: <http://www.bof.fire.ca.gov/>.

Internet: The Full Board meeting will be simultaneously webcast by WebEx for **viewing/listening purposes only**, in addition to its regular meeting. Board members will be in attendance at the Resources Auditorium along with any members of the public that choose to attend. Members of the public may register online at the Board's web site (<http://www.bof.fire.ca.gov/>) in advance of the meeting. Audio and PowerPoint presentations will be available on line. **Public participation in the public comment portion of the meeting is in person at the meeting location.**

The Board's Mission:

To lead California in developing policies and programs that serve the public interest in environmentally, economically, and socially sustainable management of forest and rangelands and a fire protection system that protects and serves the people of the state.

BOARD AGENDA

EXECUTIVE SESSION

March 4, 2015

Time: 8:00 a.m.

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1. Call to Order.
2. Adjourn to Executive Session.

Executive Session: (Closed to the Public) Discussion of Matters Related to Foresters Licensing such as Certifications; Voluntary Relinquishments; and/or Revocations of RPF Licenses/CRM Certifications Under Section 11126 (c)(1), (c)(2), (c)(3) of the Government Code; Employee Evaluation Under 11126 (a)(1); also Discussion of Pending and Potential Litigation Under Section 11126 (e) of the Government Code. (The Executive Session may be reconvened if determined necessary.) The Board will review:

- a. Brown, et al. v. State of California, San Diego County Superior Court (Small Claims Division), Case No. 37-2014-00310580
- b. Christ v. California Dept. of Forestry and Fire Protection, et al., Court of Appeals (3rd District), Case No. C076957
- c. Rancho Guejito Corp. v. Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, San Diego County Superior Court, Case No. 27-2014-00027683
- d. In the Matter of Michael D. Ryan, Office of Administrative Hearings, Case No. 2013080783
- e. White v. Pimlott, et al., Court of Appeals (3rd District), Case No. A141475
- f. White v. Walters, et al., Court of Appeals (3rd District), Case No. A142886

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3. Reconvene.
4. Announcement of Actions Taken in Executive Session.
5. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meetings.

MONTHLY BOARD REPORTS

6. Report of the Chairman.
7. Report of the Director/Department.
8. **Hearing: The Board will consider adoption of the proposed new maps for State Responsibility Areas pursuant to Public Resources Code 4125:**
The board shall classify all lands within the state, without regard to any classification of lands made by or for any federal agency or purpose, for the purpose of determining areas in which the financial responsibility of preventing and suppressing fires is primarily the responsibility of the state. The prevention and suppression of fires in all areas that are not so classified is primarily the responsibility of local or federal agencies, as the case may be.
9. Report of the Regulations Coordinator. The Board's Regulations Coordinator will report on ongoing regulatory matters. **Possible Action Items:** The Board may act in response to requests of the Regulations Coordinator on items presented in the report.
 - a. Rulemaking Calendar 2015

10. Report of Executive Officer. The Board's Executive Officer will report on ongoing administrative matters, proposed state or federal legislation or programs, or new items coming before the Board. **Possible Action Items:** The Board may act in response to requests of the Executive Officer on items presented in the report.
- Priorities 2015 discussion.
 - Annual Report.
 - Legislation Update.
11. Report of the Standing Committees. Committee Chairpersons will report on the actionable items from Committee meetings. **Possible Action Items:** The Board may act in response to Committee recommendations. (See Committee Agendas which are incorporated as though fully set forth herein.)
- Forest Practice, Sue Britting, Chair
 - Resource Protection, Bruce Saito, Chair
 - Management Committee, Stuart Farber, Chair
12. Report of Board's Advisory Committees
- Forest Pest Council- Katie Harrell
Forest Pest Conditions Report presentation
 - Monitoring Study Group- Pete Cafferata
 - Effectiveness Monitoring Committee- Stuart Farber
 - Range Management Advisory Committee- Kevin Conway
 - Professional Foresters Examining Committee –Matt Dias.
The Executive Officer for Professional Foresters Registration will report on ongoing PFEC matters. **Possible Action Items:** Issuance of RPF Licenses/CRM Certifications, Withdrawals, Reinstatements, Voluntary Relinquishments, Suspensions, Revocations, or other Actions. Nominations for PFEC.

SPECIAL BOARD HEARINGS/REPORTS

13. Update on the Department's Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund Grant Program.
14. Update from the Pacific Gas and Electric Company Fuel Reduction Grant Program.
15. **Hearing: SRA Fire Safe Regulations, 2014.** The Board is authorized under Public Resources Code Sections 4290 to adopt regulations for wildfire protection. The regulations set standards for future design and construction of structures, subdivisions and developments in SRA and provide for basic emergency access and perimeter wildfire protection. [15 day Notice Fire Safe Regulations](#)
16. **Hearing: Working Forest Management Plan.** Assembly Bill 904 created the Working Forest Management Plan (WFMP) program. The WFMP is a long-term forest management plan available to nonindustrial landowners (with less than 15,000 acres of timberland) if they commit to uneven aged management and sustained yield. [45 day Notice Working Forest Management Plan](#)

CONCLUSION

17. Public Forum.
Members of the public may address the Board **on any topic within its jurisdiction not otherwise on the agenda.** Submittal of written comments is encouraged to ensure that all comments will be included in the record before the Board. Please be prepared to summarize comments to three minutes in length, or otherwise at the discretion of the chairman. **Submit your request to address the Board under this item via supplied speaker cards prior to the item being called.**
18. New and Unfinished business. Adjournment.

FOREST PRACTICE COMMITTEE

March 3, 2015

Time: 8:30 a.m. - noon

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1. Discussion of AB 1867 rule development.
2. Discussion of the Sensitive Watershed Rule.
3. Discussion of Technical Rule Addendum #2, Cumulative Impacts Assessment.
4. New and Unfinished Business, 2015 Priorities.

Note: The Forest Practice Committee may continue discussion of items included in its agenda, or the full Board agenda, if the Board recesses or adjourns.

RESOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

March 3, 2015

Time: 9:00 a.m. – noon

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1. Review of Proposed Changes to California Forest Improvement Program Rates. Stephen Smith.
Possible Action Item: The Committee may recommend to the Full Board adoption of the new reimbursement rates.
2. Discussion of monitoring requirements for the Forest Fire Prevention Pilot Project Exemption.
3. Update on Board's Grant Program, review of potential grant regulations.
4. Safety Element Assessment Methodology. Edith Hannigan.
5. Discussion on "Active Notice" relating to harvest activities near utility lines.
6. Range Management Advisory Committee
7. New and Unfinished Business, 2015 Priorities.
 - a. Vegetation Treatment Plan Update.

Note: The Resource Protection Committee may continue discussion of items included in its agenda, or the full Board agenda, if the Board recesses or adjourns.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
March 3, 2015
Time: 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

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1. Presentation on Issues Related to Timberland Conversion.
 - a. Definitions “Available For”, Capable Of”, “Crop of Trees”, “Conversion”
 - b. Case Study: Rasmussen Conversion
 - c. Case Study: Boles Fire
2. Discussion of PTEIR for Carbon Sequestration for Fuel Reduction Program, and Potential Rule Language.
3. Discussion of Small Landowner THP approach.
4. New and Unfinished Business, Priorities 2015.

Note: The Management Committee may continue discussion of items included in its agenda, or the full Board agenda, if the Board recesses or adjourns.

IMPORTANT BOARD MEETING INFORMATION

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals who, because of a disability, need special assistance to attend or participate in a State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection Meeting, may request assistance at the Board Office, 1416 Ninth Street, Room 1506-14, Sacramento, California or by calling (916) 653-8007. Requests should be made one week in advance whenever possible. These facilities are accessible to persons with disabilities.

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN MATERIALS

The public is encouraged to comment on any item on the agenda. You may submit your comments by one of the following methods (only one is necessary): **E-mail to publiccomments@bof.ca.gov, Fax to (916) 653-0989, or U.S. mail to Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, PO Box 944246, Sacramento, CA 94244-2460.**

SPEAKING AT THE MEETING

If you wish to speak on an agenda item, please fill out a "Speaker Card" and give it to Board staff **BEFORE** the agenda item is heard. Cards will be available near the entrance of the meeting room.

- Individuals with a shared position are encouraged to select a spokesperson for their group.
- Individuals who sign up by the deadline will have a maximum of three minutes to speak. The three minute speaking time may be changed by the Chair, depending on the number of speakers. A speaker may not cede time to another speaker. The total amount of time to be allotted to a comment period is based upon the number of those wishing to comment, and will be announced by the Chair prior to the beginning of the comment period.
- The order of speakers will generally be based on random selection, but public officials may be taken out of order.
- The Chairman retains the right to stop any speaker who raises an issue that is not under the Board's jurisdiction.
- Beverages, food, and sticks or any other type of handle are strictly prohibited. Larger signs, or signs with handles, may be left in the area between the auditorium entrance and the security screening, for retrieval after the meeting.
- Speakers may bring written copies of their own comments to a Board meeting for distribution to the Members of the Board. Copies of the written comments shall be given to the Clerk of the Board who will ensure the appropriate distribution of the comments. Please provide eleven (11) copies
- The Board retains the right to remove disruptive attendees from the Board meeting.
- The Board reserves the right to override the above rules in case of emergency or other unforeseen circumstances.

WHEN WILL MY AGENDA ITEM BE HEARD?

The Board begins each session at the time listed on the Meeting Notice and generally considers each agenda item in the sequence listed, however, the Board may take any non-hearing agenda item out of order as time permits. The Board may also act on recommendations by its committees on items listed in their respective agendas, including recommendations for notice of rulemaking.

VISUAL PRESENTATIONS/MATERIALS

PowerPoint presentations must be provided on a USB flash drive, flash memory card, DVD or CD. **All presentations are considered part of the public record.** All electronic formats must be Windows PC compatible. It is recommended that a hard copy of any electronic presentation be submitted in case of technical difficulties.